



THE MESSENGER

APRIL 21, 2024

NEWS AND NOTES

Congregational Meeting

May 11, 5:15 PM

Our Next Gospel Meeting

June 2-7

Weekly Bible Studies

Thursday at 1:15 on Zoom

Times of Service

Sunday

Bible study: 9:45 AM

Worship: 10:45 AM; 6 PM

Wednesday

Bible study: 7:30 PM

(Immediately followed by a short worship service)

First Friday of Month

Singing

May 3

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WE ARE HER WORLD

I wrote this article in August of 2021. Evelyn's recent birthday brought it to mind. May it be a benefit and a blessing.

I was exhausted. I needed to study and prepare for the Revelation class as well as the new Tuesday class. Neither sermon was close to where I wanted it to be. My personal Bible reading was nonexistent. I couldn't focus on anything and frustration was taking hold. It's all because of Evelyn.

Two weeks ago, we learned she has a milk protein allergy that requires Jackie to completely dispense with dairy. Unfortunately, dairy was rampaging through Evelyn's little system at the time and she was miserable. She wouldn't sleep, wasn't keeping her food down, and there wasn't anything we could do for her but wait it out.

I was holding her while she fussed and counting down the hours until Jackie got home. Quite frankly, I was feeling sorrier for myself than I was for Evelyn. As she stared up at me with pleading eyes a thought struck me. Jackie and I are her entire world. I knew that already, but I was deeply impressed with the thought at that moment. If Evelyn is going to be fed, it will come from us. If she is going to be clothed, we'll do it. If she is to be swaddled and rocked to sleep, it will be Jackie or myself who does it. If she needs medicine, we'll administer it. She starts to fuss when we leave her line of vision. She cries out to us when something is wrong. She wants us and needs us. *Always*. We are her entire world.

Members Needing Our Prayers

Ralph Fox, Jill Harrison, Joyce Bolton, Rick Small, Benny and Arlena Poynter, Janett Brundige, Cindy Bradbury, Paul Atkisson

Others Needing Prayer

Ron and Phyllis Harmon, Sylvia Waller, Charles Patton, Jenny Thomas, Maurice Baker, Jeff Padgett, John Thompson, Georgia Patton, Glenda Miller, Alyse Nash, Patty Hill, Janice Parsons, Mark Nickles, Paul and Marrian Lyda

To Our Guests

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Her desperate dependence and profound trust hit me like a freight train in that moment. My mind turned to Matthew 18. *At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them, and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." (1-4)*

Can there be anything more humbling than placing your entire being into the hands of another, to sincerely acknowledge that without them you can do nothing? Evelyn's cries and pleading looks are not for show. They are not lip-service or her just trying to make sure she says the right things. Every bit of her little heart is in every cry and look she casts our way. She knows how desperately she needs us to provide for her. She loves us just as desperately because we do.

"Jesus is my entire world." How easy it is to say those words! How easy for them to be just that: words. The desperate dependance and love I see when Evelyn looks at Jackie and I is the same dependance and love Jesus should see when we look to him. God help us to be like children! Adam Litmer

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